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Dear Commissioner:

In response to the Official action mailed July 5, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing drawings.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.